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Nikolai M. Kasak papers

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Collection Overview

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| Repository: | Archives of American Art |
| Title: | Nikolai M. Kasak papers |
| Date: | 1944-1982 |
| Identifier: | AAA.kasaniko |
| Creator: | Kasak, Nikolai, 1917- |
| Extent: | 0.4 Linear feet ((ca. 350 items)) |
| Language: | English . |

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Nikolai Kasak donated his papers to the Archives in 1977 and 1982.

Restrictions

Use of original papers requires an appointment and is limited to the Archives' Washington, D.C., Research Center. Contact Reference Services for more information.

Biographical / Historical

Painter, sculptor, New York, N.Y. Born in Lushtcha, Russia and took his undergraduate degree in Warsaw. He continued his studies in Vienna at the Academy of Fine Arts and the the Academy of Fine Arts' School for Advanced Studies in Rome. His early work reveals an expressionistic figurative art which he later relinquished in favor of his own theory of art he called Physical Art. Physical Art is an abstract art which involves the manipulation of positive and negative spaces and geometric configurations.

Scope and Contents

Biographical information; correspondence; writings; published and unpublished manuscripts by Kasak and others; photographs of art work; printed material; and an inventory of these papers by Kasak.

Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

Occupations:

Painters -- New York (State) -- New York
Sculptors -- New York (State) -- New York